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EMERGENT MEETING TO DEAL WITH DROUGHT ISSUE

CABINET TO MEET AS J. G. GARDINER REACHES OTTAWA

Sub-committee Will Probably Be
Set Up to Handle Problem
in West

GARDINER ENDS TOUR

King Returns from Europe—Makes
Hopeful Statement on
International Affairs

By WILFRID EGGLESTON
Special to *The Western Farm Leader*

OTTAWA, July 14th.—An emergency meeting of the Dominion Cabinet to deal with the appalling drought conditions is expected when Hon. J. G. Gardiner, Minister of Agriculture, returns from his present tour of the drought-stricken area. It is likely that a sub-committee of the Cabinet will be set up to deal with it. Use of Governor-general's warrants on a generous scale will be necessary to cope with the situation, since no money was voted for this purpose last session. Fortunately relief demands from other parts of Canada are now rapidly declining, and it will be possible to look after Western Canada in an adequate manner without increasing last year's vote for relief purposes.

Business Climbs Elsewhere

While business in other parts of Canada will unquestionably suffer seriously from the decline in purchasing power arising out of the crop failure, it has shown remarkable capacity to climb on the strength of expanding activity in mining, lumbering, manufacturing and field crops and products in other parts of Canada. Aside from the Prairie Provinces, it appears that the farmers of Canada will enjoy one of their best years. This will make it possible to concentrate aid on the drought-stricken area. The higher price for wheat will be a great boon for Manitoba and those small sections of Alberta which promise to produce a fair to good crop, and will give the total crop of the West a higher monetary value than was the case during several years when prices as well as yields were very low.

Premier Mackenzie King came back from Europe with a reassuring statement of international relations. Re-

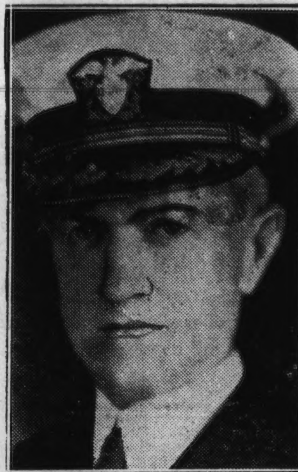
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Conference with Pool Executives

Conference between Western Wheat Pool Executives and Hon. J. G. Gardiner, on the drought situation in the West and action to be taken to deal with the situation, took place in Regina this week before the Minister of Agriculture left for Ottawa.

Mr. Gardiner recently cancelled his holidays in order to give his whole time to the problem, and at the meeting showed determination to act promptly to meet the situation, which is most serious in Saskatchewan. In Saskatchewan the Provincial Cabinet is giving its whole attention to the matter.

Sees Little Hope



Forced down by lack of fuel near Howland Island in mid-Pacific on July 2nd, Amelia Earheart and her navigator F. J. Noonan, had not been found as this issue went to press, although all that organization of aeroplanes, U.S. battleships and aeroplane carriers, and other means of search, could do, has been done. Sixty aeroplanes were brought into the area a few days ago by the carrier *Lexington*. The search has been directed by Rear-Admiral Orin G. Murfin (above), commandant of the fourteenth naval district at Honolulu, who believes further search must prove fruitless.

Favor Duke of Windsor for Austrian Throne

VIENNA, July 14th.—Reports have been current here for some time past, following a secret meeting of leading figures in Austrian political and economic affairs, that a "Windsor Party" is in process of formation, with a view to placing the Duke of Windsor on the Austrian throne.

Owing to violent opposition by the Little Entente and Germany to the restoration of a Hapsburg monarchy, the idea of inviting the Duke of Windsor has been gaining favor. He is very popular in Austria. The former chancellor, Mataja, some time ago urged Chancellor Schuschnigg that failing Otto, the throne should be offered to an English prince.

Those who know the former King Edward, however, think it unlikely that he would consider the acceptance of another crown.

To All Subscribers

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Charge Government Playing Into Hands of Fascist Powers

LONDON, July 14th.—Labor and Liberal papers are bitterly critical of the Government's plan to accord limited belligerent rights to rebel as well as Government forces in Spain. They say that Britain is playing into the hands of the Fascist powers in giving Franco time to win the war.

Establish New Record

SAN JACINTO, Cal., July 14th.—Landing here early this morning three Soviet fliers—Gromoff, Yumosheff and Danilin—established a new record for long distance flying. They made the flight from Moscow, over the Pole, some 6,700 miles, in just over 62 hours.

LONDON, July 14th.—Following the capture by an insurgent cruiser of a British merchant vessel as she attempted to enter Santander port, the Government have re-stated their policy that naval protection will not be given within three miles of the Spanish coast.

To Speak in Calgary

Dr. Norman Bethune, head of the Canadian Blood Transfusion Unit with the Spanish Government forces, will speak in Calgary in the near future. He has brought with him a talking picture of scenes in Spain, taken during the course of the war. There will be a moderate charge for admission and funds will be used to assist in maintaining the unit.

The C.C.F. in Edmonton may not contest the by-election, it is reported.

DEATH TOLL IN STRIKE AREA

Bringing the total deaths in the U.S. steel strike to 15, two men were shot to death Sunday night when police fired revolvers, shotguns and tear gas shells into a crowd of strikers and sympathizers—without provocation, strike officials say. In all, some 100,000 men working in seven states have been affected. Many have been wounded and hundreds arrested on charges of disorderly conduct, by the strongly augmented police forces.

TRIED TO BLOCK CONVENTION

When at the International Labor Conference at Geneva, the British Government and employers tried to block the adoption of a convention calling for a 40-hour week in the textile industry throughout the world, the representatives of all the British Dominions sided with the United States, and the Convention was adopted. The result is described by the *Manchester Guardian* as "humiliating for Great Britain." Even the employers' representatives from the United States voted for the convention, and all the Latin American republics. "As a result," states the *Guardian*, "the United States has become a predominant influence in the International Labor Organization and the leader of the progressive countries," whereas in the general opinion "Great Britain has become the spearhead of reaction."

U.F.A. ON UPGRADE IN PEACE RIVER STATES GARDINER

President Addresses Large Meetings at Many Points During
Northern Tour

STRESSES WHEAT BOARD

Urges Necessity for Establishment
of Compulsory Board to
Handle Season's Crop

"The outstanding impression left in my mind after a series of meetings held in the Peace River country, is that the U.F.A. in this agricultural area is very decidedly on the upgrade," Robert Gardiner, President of the U.F.A., stated in an interview with *The Western Farm Leader* on return from his recent Peace River tour.

Mr. Gardiner spoke at many points, before large audiences. He addressed afternoon and evening meetings and picnics, and participated in a Sunday joint service of Anglican and United Churches which was attended by between 500 and 600 persons. Among the points visited were Clairmont, Hythe, La Glace, Rycroft, Heart Valley Fairview, Berwyn district, Griffin Creek, Kerndale and High Prairie. With one exception all meetings were well attended.

Allen Takes Part

Hugh Allen, U.F.A. Director, accompanied the President throughout the greater part of the tour and spoke on Provincial questions, discussing the very serious and in many respects chaotic conditions now prevailing. The necessity for an intelligent handling of the problem of debt reduction was stressed, and action to this end under the terms of the Federal Farmers' and Creditors' Arrangement Act was urged.

Mr. Gardiner emphasized the need to establish a compulsory Wheat Board to handle all wheat of this season's crop and described the action taken by the Executive in pressing the Federal Government for action along the lines proposed.

Further development of co-operative marketing facilities for handling of farm products was urged. The President outlined some of the outstanding achievements of the Association in the farmers' interest, and discussed the subjects of money, purchasing power and credit, describing the nature of exchange and credit instruments and their economic functions.

ALBERTA RAIN REPORTS

Rain fell in many parts of Alberta on Tuesday and Wednesday, Edmonton, Red Deer, Lethbridge, Calgary, Medicine Hat, Three Hills, Olds and Drumheller reporting heavy downfalls.

Japanese aggression in China is having the effect of solidifying the Chinese people in defence of their country, declared H. Wenner, of the Chinese customs service, visiting in Calgary.

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- Contest Closes July 31st. Estimates in Envelopes post-marked July 31st will be accepted.
- Contestants must enclose \$1 for one year's subscription to *The Western Farm Leader*. This may be a **NEW or RENEWAL SUBSCRIPTION**, for contestant or for a friend.
- Contestants may enter more than one estimate, but each must be accompanied by a \$1 subscription. You may subscribe for two years (\$2) or more for yourself and make an estimate for each \$1, or you may subscribe for some friend or neighbor, making an estimate for each \$1 sent in.
- No employee of any grain company nor of the Provincial nor Federal Department of Agriculture, and no member of the family of such employee, may enter this contest.

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Make your estimate of the 1937 Wheat Crop; fill in the coupon and mail it. You may be the fortunate winner of the \$100 first prize.

THESE FIGURES WILL HELP YOU

The figures given below, for Alberta's crop in the past eight years, are taken from various issues of the Canada Year Book and Agricultural Bulletins of the Dominion Department of Statistics.

Year	Alberta Wheat Acreage	Total Alberta Wheat Crop
1929	7,551,215	92,534,000
1930	7,164,000	147,000,000
1931	7,938,000	140,603,000
1932	8,201,000	164,000,000
1933	7,898,000	102,334,000
1934	7,501,000	112,500,000
1935	7,500,000	102,000,000
1936	7,360,000	67,000,000
1937	7,286,000	?

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"Castaways of Plenty"

By WILLARD E. HAWKINS



CHAPTER V

UNCONTROLLED PRODUCTION SHOULD BE CHECKED—INVESTMENT OF CAPITAL INAUGURATES PROSPEROUS ERA—THE PROBLEM OF EXCESS—LACK OF FORESIGHT INVOLVES LOWER CLASSES IN DIFFICULTIES—UNREASONABLE ATTITUDE OF LABOR.

Synopsis of Previous Chapters

For New Readers—This is the story of the adventures of three shipwrecked mariners, cast ashore on a desert island. Their names are Larson, Grubber and Buffington. Coconuts, fish, and wild goats provide their food supply, and they have primitive tools with which to erect shelters. Larson makes the suggestion that they should organize their "economic and financial system" in accordance with the principles followed in the capitalist communities from whence they came. The other two members of the community of three agree to his suggestion, and soon find themselves unable to live except by working for Larson, as he has gained control of the island "industry." They suffer from "unemployment" and other troubles.

IT must be confessed that both Buffington and Grubber were vastly relieved at the solution of their difficulties. The relinquishment of their property rights in the fish and game of the island meant next to nothing, since, after all, Larson would have to pay them for their labor just as he had before. The insignificant value of ownership in these rights was apparent in the very fact that Larson, although he had not previously owned them, nevertheless always had a greater store of fish and meat than both of the others put together.

Of course it made a nominal difference, since, as Larson pointed out, he was now entitled to a greater proportion of the fish and game as a consequence of his ownership. His share in the fish brought in by Grubber was now seventy-five per cent of the catch instead of fifty, as formerly.

This, in itself, involved certain complications. When Larson's storehouse was filled with dried and cured fish sufficient to last several months, he was compelled to call a halt.

"We're facing overproduction," he observed ruefully. "I'll have to limit you to fishing at rare intervals, and Buffington will have to slow down on his hunting. Of course I'm under contract to feed you, so I'm the real sufferer."

That evening Buffington and Grubber held a mild celebration. A bamboo pipe-length of coconut beverage was opened, and they sat for a long time talking around the fire.

"Things are beginning to work out our way!" Buffington exulted. "This profit system isn't all one-

sided. No work to do, and we're living the life of Reilly. Bottoms up for Larson's system!"

But there was a slight drawback to this leisure which they neglected to take into account. It was brought home a couple of weeks later when Larson dropped in to collect his monthly rental on the house Buffington occupied, the furniture in which he sprawled at ease, and the water supply trickling past his front door.

"Rent?" Buffington repeated dazedly. "Why, sure—the rent. Yeah. Funny it should have slipped my mind. The truth is, I haven't any—if you could come back next week—"

"It's very annoying," returned Larson with evident displeasure. "We've made certain agreements and we ought to live up to them. If we can't have mutual confidence, the whole system goes to smash. I can't help feeling that if you hadn't been so improvident—"

"I'll go hunting tomorrow," Buffington interrupted.

"That won't do," Larson reminded him. "If you went hunting, you'd have to pay me three-quarters of the meat, and I don't need any at present. Naturally I can't let you hunt animals on my preserves when the food isn't needed. We'd have a scarcity of game in no time."

"Shall I work it out?"

"There's no work to be done. I've plenty of necessities, and I've had to cut down on luxuries to pay the exorbitant price you exacted for your game preserves."

"Then how the heck am I going to pay you?"

"Buffington, is it up to me to solve all your little problems of adjustment to the system? Can't you learn to provide for future contingencies, as I do?"

"If I can't pay, then, you'll turn me out?"

"You wouldn't want to live on my charity, would you?"

"I'll move in with Grubber; he wouldn't mind. It will cut the house expense for each of us."

Larson shook his head. "I regret very much," he said—and his tone was sincere—"that Grubber also has failed to exercise reasonable thrift and foresight in his affairs. When I left him, he was preparing to move out onto the sands. And I am sorry to admit also that his language was anything but refined. Why is it that a certain type of mind insists on

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One Method of Income Tax Evasion

Among the many dodges of wealthy Americans to evade payment of income taxes was the incorporation of personal property. For instance Alfred P. Sloan, chairman of General Motors, evaded payment of \$1,921,587 in the last three years by incorporating his palatial yacht, his farms and other personal property.

A co-operative burial society in Iowa now has a membership of 869 families, and provides burial services, including casket, at from \$97 to \$172.

blaming its misfortunes on others instead of realizing that indolence, lack of thrift—"

Buffington turned. His fists were clenched. "That's one line of talk I've had a-plenty off!" he rejoined fiercely. "I'm getting out, you dirty, contemptible—"

Larson, after one look at the unshaven, blazing countenance of his tenant, retired, but in good order.

"When I left Grubber," he shot back over his shoulder, "the fellow also was threatening violence. I have a plan to save you from your own folly; but I can't present it while you're in this unreasonable frame of mind."

(Next Chapter: Rumbles of Discontent.)

Opportunity for Alberta Girl Athlete

The Australian Government has provided funds to take twenty Canadian girl athletes to the British Empire games, to be held in Australia, and one of them will be an Alberta girl. Miss Juanita Lawrence, Edmonton, secretary of the Women's Amateur Athletic Federation, would like to receive applications from girls with track or field ability.

Tattered Irishmen are Disillusioned by Franco

Woebegone and disillusioned, a tattered brigade of 600 Irishmen who had been enlisted by General O'Duffy, Irish Fascist, to fight with General Franco against the Spanish Government, returned to Ireland. One of them described the conditions they had had to put up with as "hell on earth," and declared, "We were in the front line and could not get even a drink of water. It we were caught with a drop of wine we went to jail with the 'Reds'." A veteran who had served with the British and the Free State army declared "he had never experienced anything like the treatment" meted out by Franco to the Irishmen who came to help him.

Experiments with cornstarch and with oil of wintergreen in treatment of cancer of animals were declared to have been successful, in the annual report of the International Cancer Research Foundation, Philadelphia.

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FIRE SALE DISASTROUS

When the Liberal Government came into office it immediately reversed the policy followed by John I. McFarland in the handling of Canada's wheat, and offered the world all it would buy at a fire sale.

The result of this unwise policy, which seemed to be inspired by a conviction that whatever Mr. Bennett had done or authorized Mr. King must undo, is now apparent. There has been a reversal of world conditions. Wheat is no longer at a discount. Mr. McFarland's policy of avoiding fire-sales, if continued, would have enabled the Government to have escaped any losses and in fact would have turned losses into surpluses, to the advantage of the Canadian taxpayer and the Canadian farmer.

The greater part of Western Canada is faced by a crop failure, Saskatchewan by an almost complete failure over its greatest wheat areas, with conditions substantially better in Manitoba and Alberta. The Dominion Government will be compelled to take steps at any cost to meet the situation, and we must commend the promptitude with which the Federal Minister of Agriculture, Hon. J. G. Gardiner, cancelled his holidays when disaster for the West became apparent, and the energy with which he has since devoted himself to the devising of plans to cope with the problem; while incidentally, we understand that the Minister of Agriculture in Saskatchewan, Mr. Taggart, and the Saskatchewan Cabinet as a whole, are equally devoting their efforts to the task in hand.

But if there had been no fire sale, the Dominion Government would have been today in an immeasurably better position to meet the present emergency, and many thousands of farmers of Western Canada, whose wheat it was the Government sacrificed, with effects on prices which are a matter of record, would have been financially fortified in some degree against the losses they must face this year, wherever the harvest fails.

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AS "DIOGENES" SEES IT

On page 9 of this issue we publish the first of two or more articles to be contributed by "Diogenes." The articles will deal not only with the world crisis, but with the position

which we, in Canada and in Alberta, occupy in relation to the momentous events now taking place in many parts of the world, where the old order of *laissez faire* and free capitalism is passing, and a new order is being born.

The author has had exceptional opportunities for the study of world affairs. In London, England, he has been in close association with men who are making history. He has travelled widely. At present he is making a tour through Canada, by easy stages, acquainting himself with economic and social conditions and the outlook of the people in informal ways. He has delivered some lectures. He finds a spirit of hopefulness in the West, even during these times of difficulty and great hardship in extensive rural areas, which is lacking in Europe. He may have something to write on that subject later.

"Diogenes" was born in Glasgow, served as a youth in the Great War in France and with the British Army of Occupation in Germany. Then followed a varied career as clerk, farm-laborer, ship's purser, honors graduate of Glasgow University, tutor and schoolmaster in Jamaica, lecturer at the Glasgow Athenaeum, superintendent of education for five years in Nigeria, West Africa, instructor of unemployed youth in the East End of London, co-editor of *New Britain*, a London weekly publication devoted to social philosophy and politics, and national secretary of the New Britain movement.

In contributing to *The Western Farm Leader*, "Diogenes" will "write as he pleases." His intention is to discuss the present confused situation in world affairs, including those of Canada and Alberta, and compare his ideas with those of our readers. He will be free to express himself as he wishes, whether what he writes coincides with editorial opinion or otherwise. You may or may not agree with him. In any event, he will be pleased to receive correspondence on the subject of his articles.

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SHOULD BE REPEATED

As shown by Mr. Fitch in the article published in this issue, the attendance at the Olds School of Community Life was much larger than had appeared

The Commonwealth Sacrificed

The New Statesman and Nation

British policy veers with a crudity that fills competent observers with disgust. The only guiding idea is to break the Rome-Berlin "axis." Six months ago, Germany was the enemy; Mussolini was a gentleman, and Mr. Eden thought he had detached him from the other Dictator by the Mediterranean Agreement. Then came the despatch in force of the Italian army to Spain, and the Foreign Office realized it had been tricked. Learning nothing from experience, it set to work to pull at the other end of the axis. The tone of the inspired press and of official utterances grew steadily pro-German. Mr. Chamberlain purred to the Fuhrer over the absurd Leipzig incident like a cat awaiting a saucer of milk. We have the Fuhrer's answer. He walks out of the control scheme; he opposes the Franco-British substitute plan; he bluntly announces that he is destroying the Spanish Republic to get iron ore. Even Portugal, where British Ministers continue to prattle at banquets about the fidelity of our ancient ally, tells the British controllers on her frontier to mind their own business.

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If this progress goes on for two or three years longer the time will come when British imperialism will learn that it has lost not only prestige, that most deceptive of assets, but the strategic positions which it regards as essential to the Commonwealth. Eventually some bolder man than Mr. Eden may make a stand, and a stand after a decade (for the policy of retreat began with Manchuria) may mean war. It will not then be a war for order or democracy or any "ideological" good; but a war for iron ore, strategical sites and the preservation of an Empire that cared for no ends but its own.

To prepare for this future war for the Empire seems to be the only policy the present Government now has. Our one hope is that the Opposition, which has been recently roused to a more resolute and outspoken attitude, may be strong enough to press for a less shamefaced policy. If anything can be done to encourage Mr. Eden, who must, we are sure, be a profoundly unhappy man, into taking a firmer stand it should be done at once. To-day we believe that an unequivocal statement by Britain and France that unless the Fascist Powers withdraw their armaments from Spain, we shall see that the Spanish Government also is fully supplied, would have the effect of ending their intervention. Neither Germany nor Italy wants war. But if such a declaration is not made soon, the chance of saving Spain, and with Spain any semblance of a European order, will have disappeared.

probable when we visited the school near the beginning of the course. In fact the registration figures had reached a total figure twice as large as they were a few days previously.

The attendance was still less than a hundred, and by no means large enough, but nevertheless a beginning has been made and an encouraging beginning. All who had the opportunity to visit the school were gratified by the splendid facilities for adult education which it provided. The School of Community Life should be continued next year. We believe that the number of Albertans who will wish to attend in future will be progressively increased as those who attended return to their home communities and tell of their experiences.

Replies to Legal Questions

By HON. J. E. BROWNLEE, K.C., LL.D.

YOUR LEGAL PROBLEM

Answers will be given in this department to legal questions submitted by paid-up subscribers of The Western Farm Leader. The annual subscription is ONE DOLLAR. Questions should be addressed: "Legal, The Western Farm Leader."

Crop Share Lease

W.F.—I can only give you what is involved in giving a one-third crop share lease to the Mortgage Company. Without knowing more of your financial position I could not express an opinion as to whether or not you should sign the lease.

The Mortgage Company desires the lease to protect it against other creditors to the extent of a one-third share of the crop. From your standpoint the advantage of giving the lease is that it makes sure that at least the one-third share will go to the Mortgage Company and not to other creditors. The Mortgage Company is a secured creditor and it should be to your advantage to see that a secured creditor is paid rather than an unsecured creditor.

There is only one way you can be compelled to sign the Crop Share Lease. If the Mortgage Company makes an application to the Debt Adjustment Board after the expiration of the present Moratorium for permission to commence proceedings the Board may order you to deliver a one-third share to the Mortgage Company. The disadvantage of giving the Lease is that you then become obligated to deliver the one-third share and if crop conditions are not good you may not be able to spare that amount. Unless your financial position is very bad I would advise against giving the Lease and if it is very bad would advise making application under the Farmers' Creditors Arrangement Act.

Taxes on Town Property

J.H.C.—I think the town is exceeding its power in collecting the rent for the tenant on the one lot to the extent of your arrears of taxes on the vacant lot. At the same time such wide powers are given to a town council for the collection of taxes that I cannot see that you have anything to gain by disputing the right of the council to collect these rents. You cannot compel the town to take the vacant lot for the arrears of taxes against it and any attempt to dispute the town's right would simply lead to other proceedings which would have much the same result as what is now being done.

Production of Letter

A.B.C.—No, there is no way you can force the production of B's letter. You cannot make anyone turn over to you a letter that person has received from some one else.

Soil Drifting From Neighbor's Farm

"Drifter."—Am afraid with the weather conditions we are having this last year or two, it would be very difficult to prove that soil drifting from your neighbor's farm was due to inefficient farming. Neither the Police nor the Attorney-General would have anything to do with the matter. They are not concerned with civil disputes and if you have any complaint at all it is a civil one only. If you can prove you have been injured by careless and negligent farming methods you have an action against your neighbor for damages. I think you would have difficulty and advise you to see a good lawyer before you decide on any course of action.

Dominion Action Was Legal

Malmo.—The action of the Dominion Government in holding back

C.C.F. Clubs Define Position in Alberta Provincial Affairs

To Enter Dominion and Alberta Field Unless U.F.A. Decides on Provincial C.C.F. Action

Should the next Annual Convention of the U.F.A. not actually decide to enter the field of Provincial politics as part of the Co-operative Commonwealth Federation, adopting in principle the Draft C.C.F. Provincial Program, the Executive of the C.C.F. Clubs, on instructions of their First Annual Convention held in Calgary last week, will organize for action, both Federal and Provincial, in every Alberta constituency.

The resolution in which these instructions were given expressed the hope that the U.F.A. Convention would adopt the draft program in principle; and stated that if they did not do so they would be faced with three other choices: to withdraw from political action altogether; to continue to nominate candidates for Provincial constituencies under their own banner; or to postpone their decision. In any of these three events the C.C.F. Clubs Executive will organize the constituencies as directed.

Wm. Irvine President

William Irvine of Wetaskiwin was unanimously elected President. He is also chairman of the C.C.F. Provincial Council. Mr. Irvine devoted the greater part of his first annual address to the Provincial situation, after a brief analysis of world conditions and a discussion of the overhanging peril of war. He declared that "the non-existence of the vaunted blood stream in the scarecrow of Social Credit has been the height of disappointment to many," and that in consequence of present confusion there was danger of reaction winning support.

Referring to the various alternatives faced by the U.F.A., Mr. Irvine said, "If it decides to merge temporarily with other groups Provincially on the basis suggested by Mr. Johnston, we shall have to examine carefully both the basis of that arrangement and the objective sought and make our decision accordingly."

Vice-Presidents elected were Henry Young of Millet and H. F. Coulter of Calgary. Miss Mary Crawford and Elmer E. Roper were elected Treasurer and Secretary respectively.

Seventy-three delegates attended the Convention, and a large number of visitors. M. J. Coldwell, M.P., addressed an evening meeting and a play presented by the talented players of the Clive Dramatic Society on the second evening was much enjoyed.

Appearing as a fraternal delegate from the Committee to Aid Spanish Democracy, W. Norman Smith, editor of *The Western Farm Leader*, appealed for support of the work of Dr. Norman Bethune, and a resolution pledging support was passed.

Three lives were lost when a second-hand plane piloted by Ewart L. Andrus crashed at Nipawin, Saskatchewan, on Monday.

the Natural Resources from the Province was perfectly legal notwithstanding the terms of the British North America Act. The Alberta Act which created this Province was ratified by the Imperial Parliament of Great Britain. So that by Act of the Imperial Parliament the Dominion was permitted to hold back from Alberta its lands and mines when the Province was formed. Any Act of the Imperial Parliament of course is valid.

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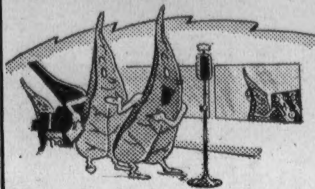
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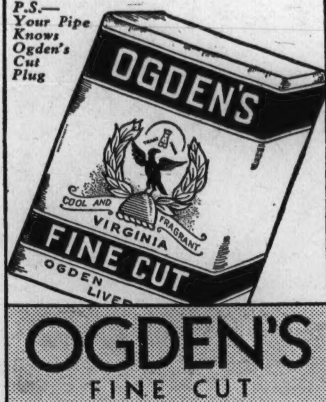
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Springbank Celebrates Anniversary

Springbank, a dairy farming district west of Calgary, celebrated its fiftieth anniversary on Dominion Day with a largely attended gathering. A picnic lunch and sports program were followed by addresses from Hugh Farthing, M.L.A., Dr. Carpenter and Rev. Mr. Pow. J. M. Belway introduced to the gathering a number of the old-timers present, including J. T. McKnight, Charles Ostrum, who has lived in the district since 1901, A. J. Wallace and E. Waines. Three of the original class of ten pupils who went to school in the little log school house built in 1887 were present.

July this year will break all records in the matter of dividend yields in Canada. Some 151 corporations will distribute this month over \$29,000,000 in dividends—an increase over last year of nearly \$4,000,000.

I SPENT A DAY AT OLDS *by I. F. FITCH, K.C.*

1937 will, I fancy, prove to be a year the like of which the people of Alberta will hope not to see again. It may prove in many ways to be a year of great significance. The people in this area of the short grass plains, may at long last realize that either they master their environment or their environment will master them. I am by no means certain which way the day will go. It is a matter of education and action on a broad scale—education in its broadest sense, and defined as the process by which man is persuaded to adapt himself to his environment.

In relation to that great issue—man versus his environment—the Olds School of Community Life becomes of significance. For there was offered an opportunity to study the problems of this day under circumstances as near ideal as are possible in this Province and on terms the generosity of which no one can deny.

For Average Man or Woman

My understanding is that the whole course was offered at an over-all cost of about Twenty Dollars including Board and Lodging for some twelve or fifteen days. The school was not intended for a rich man's holiday, although the same terms were available to all who chose to go. It was not intended as a post graduate course for university students. It was intended for the average man or woman sincerely interested in his own welfare and in the future of his fellow citizens. It was an adaptation of the Folk School idea which appears to have saved Democracy in the Scandinavian countries. It was an experiment in Adult Education by which all could profit. Those who attended were not obliged to do anything but listen. They would profit most, however, who were brave enough to expose their own ideas to the criticism of others.

Free Discussion

Discussion was the basis of the whole program. There were lectures it is true by the most competent men. When I arrived on Friday evening Dr. H. L. Stewart of Halifax was just commencing a lecture on Italian Fascism, to be followed next morning by the first of a series on Russia. Thousands, perhaps millions, listen over the radio every Sunday afternoon to Dr. Stewart discussing international affairs. Here he was in person, a modest kindly man but a close student of world affairs who persuaded you for the moment at least that you really understood what was going on in Europe and who made you realize as well the close relationship between those world events and the welfare of every person in this Province. For a time he took us away from our own

Mr. Fitch, who describes his impressions of the Olds School of Community Life below, was chairman of the "Round Table" group whose discussions of public questions many of our readers heard over the University chain, from stations CKUA and CFCN last winter and spring.

trials and tribulations, that surely was all to the good.

At the conclusion of his lecture, discussion followed. Ah! that was opportunity. It was a privilege which may not come this way again to ask him the questions which thousands of others have doubtless desired to propound, and we obtained his answers there and then.

Fresh From New Deal Experiences

There was Dr. Etter, a Nova Scotian by birth, but now on the staff of one of the leading American Universities. Dr. Etter came fresh from his experiences with President Roosevelt's New Deal Program, aware of the mistakes which have been made by the New Dealers but determined like the others to go on and confident of success.

Dr. Stewart left one with this clear impression. If the choice be between Democracy and Dictatorship the former is well worth the effort to maintain. If the choice be between Peace and War the time is none too long to avoid the latter.

Dr. Etter in his own field likewise left a clear idea and it was this. The problems of these times are much the same in both Canada and the United States. Whatever else may pass the work done by the young men in the Conservation Corps will endure.

The people of the United States, under daring leadership, have at least attempted something, the will to master their environment still is strong, and on balance the successes attained more than compensate for the failures there may have been. I thought to myself, we need the spirit of Browning's "The Rabbi Ben Ezra," fairly to assess the New Deal. It seemed clear that on the whole the New Deal had justified itself.

The Social Side

I must say a word about the social side. There were no strangers at Olds. No matter who you were or where you came from, you were at home from the moment of your arrival. The meals in the large dining room were family affairs. The evening I was there they had a program followed by a dance. The principal items on the program were amateur theatricals by the players from Innisfail and Clive. The Clive players were farming until noonday and drove down in the afternoon to put on a performance which has now made them famous in amateur theatricals. Both these groups of players demonstrated what real ability we have in small communities. The best feature of the social life was the informal discussion by small groups of men and women, young and old, who

Effective Wheat Board Called for by Mass Meeting

Resolution Urges Necessity for Board to Handle Crop of 1937

Calling upon the Dominion Government to make the Wheat Board effectively operative, the following resolution was adopted at a recent meeting at McLaughlin, attended by about eighty persons, following an address by William Irvine in behalf of the C.C.F. The resolution was introduced by E. R. Fay:

"Whereas, after years of agitation a Wheat Board was established in 1935, and whereas through this Board considerable sums accrued to the farmers of Western Canada and therefore to the general benefit of the common people of Western Canada; and whereas in 1936 as a result of the non-functioning of the Board much of the advantage of higher wheat prices obtaining during the crop year were lost to the farmers and people of the West; and whereas it is now being suggested that the Board either (a) continue as in 1936, viz., to become operative only on wheat dropping below 90 cents or (b) cease operating altogether and the "open market" be given a year's trial during the 1937-38 crop year; and whereas the farmers of Canada have opposed the "open market" and futures gambling system for over a quarter of a century;

"Therefore be it resolved that this mass meeting of farmers and citizens go on record as endorsing the action of the U.F.A. executive in its appeal to the Dominion Government to cause the Wheat Board to function as intended by the Act of 1935, and we demand that a price be paid by the Board equal to the cost of production as an initial payment, with participation by the grain growers in whatever profits may accrue from the operations of the Board."

A farmer in the Dunstable district for nearly thirty years, and a very active U.F.A. worker, Alex. Gibbs was killed recently by an attack of a bull. Mr. Gibbs was a director in the Fawcett to Alcomdale Livestock Marketing Association.

a few days before had been strangers but who were now friends.

Students' Own Reports on Drought Problems

When I left they were about to proceed with the study of certain reports made by the students themselves on the problems of the Drought Area in Western Canada. I would have liked to listen to these reports because they would have indicated the capacity of these young people to contribute to our thinking on problems the vast scope of which many perhaps now begin to realize but dimly. It was my misfortune that I could only spend a day at Olds.

To Donald Cameron, Acting Director of the Extension Department of the University of Alberta, the people of this Province owe much for having organized this school. Without his experience, his enthusiasm and organizing ability the experiment would not have been tried.

The attendance this year of some 75 exceeded his minimum expectations. It was a new idea and we are all so reluctant to try something different from what we have tried before. The attendance next year should tax the accommodation.

The Olds School of Community Life established in this very discouraging year 1937 is for the average young man or woman between the ages of 17 and 70 an opportunity for rest, recreation and adult education of which I sincerely hope those who may have read this article from beginning to end will resolve to take advantage if, as I hope will be the case, it is offered again next year.

To All U.F.A. Secretaries!

We shall soon be preparing for harvest, even if the harvest prospects are not of the best.

To successfully organize co-operative buying requires forethought.

We are counting on you to call a meeting of your Local at an early date and present the facts about Binder Twine and Petroleum Products.

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Readers' Forum on C.C.F. Program

Changes Suggested by Five Mile U.F.A. Local, Claresholm

Mr. Harper of Five Mile U.F.A. Local completes in this issue his presentation of the case for amendments to the Draft C.C.F. Provincial Program, proposed by the Five Mile U.F.A. Local, Claresholm. It is of interest to record the fact that the first Annual Convention of C.C.F. Clubs, the third wing of the C.C.F. movement in Alberta, in discussing the draft program, arrived at similar conclusions on some important points to those of Five Mile Local and suggested amendments accordingly.

Editor, *The Western Farm Leader*:

I conclude in this issue the discussion of proposed changes in the C.C.F. Draft Provincial Program.

Having arrived at a scientific basis of debt reduction, it should immediately be established throughout the Province. We also felt that in cases where a farmer has in the past been paying debts far in excess of the carrying capacity of his farm, due to exceptional ability or thrift, recognition should be made of this fact. Thus we suggest that debt reduction should be made retroactive to the origin of the debt.

The Province undoubtedly has the power to carry out these suggestions.

Only Means of Protection

With regard to marketing, we believe that co-operative buying and selling is the only way in which farmers can successfully protect themselves in the competitive open market. In establishing co-operatives, the experience of the past should be made available. The Government could assist in this matter by establishing a Department of Co-operative Marketing. This Department would assist Co-operatives in every way possible, and could formulate legislation necessary to co-operatives for presentation in the Legislature.

Sections (b) and (c) we felt were not concise, and we therefore combined them to read: "the Provincial Government to urge the Dominion Government to set up National Marketing Boards, having adequate producer representation."

Rural Electrification

Rural Electrification is a highly desirable aim. However, it will require capital to establish such projects. The present situation in Alberta would indicate that little capital will be available for new projects for some time to come. Furthermore, rural electrification would necessitate public ownership and control of our water-power.

We do not believe that public ownership of our natural resources, desirable though that condition is, can be accomplished for some time to come. It is therefore premature for any political party in Alberta to promise rural electrification, or anything else that depends upon public ownership of natural resources.

As I have said before, Mr. Editor, we must be practical. We may dream of what we would like to do. We must plan only on what we can do.

Natural Resources

Socialization of Natural Resources is one of the fundamental tenets of Socialism. Few persons who have thought honestly about our present economic problems will quarrel with that ideal. However, in the Draft Provincial Platform we find, under the heading, "Natural Resources," the following:

First Steps: Socialization of coal, water-power, tar sands, gas and oil.

Not a "First Step"

Desirable though we believe this aim to be, our committee felt that as a "first step" it is impossible.

Such a project, or series of projects could be carried out only by the expenditure of huge sums of money in purchasing from present owners the improvements on such property, plus equally huge sums for further development. Such sums of money could be obtained by borrowing only, and

Alberta's borrowing power is practically zero at present. Thus our committee felt that socialization of natural resources cannot possibly be designated as a first step.

Expropriation Difficult

It may be argued that the natural resources should be expropriated. I doubt the legality of this procedure, but assuming that it is legally possible, I would point out that many of our natural resources are at least partially owned by the ordinary citizens of Canada, and not by the "Fifty Big Shots." It would surely be unfair to expropriate this property. It would necessarily have to be paid for. Hence, expropriation, while it is easy to say, would be difficult to work out.

In short, we felt that as an ultimate aim, the suggested "first steps" are excellent. As a present practical plan they are impossible.

Our Proposals

We therefore substituted the following:

(a) No further alienation of Natural Resources.

This is a logical first step which the Province has the power to carry out.

(b) Increased royalties upon the products of mines, oil wells, water-power, etc.

This is one method by which the people of Alberta can obtain at least a share of the profits derived from their natural resources. It is quite possible that this scheme could be carried out to the point where private ownership of resources would not be as attractive as it now is, and ultimately our resources may become socialized by the process of taxing away all profits derived from them.

(c) Provision that any resource or portion thereof may be taken over by the Province at stated periods, the owners to be recompensed to the full value of their improvements.

Such a provision could be inserted in all leases granted to those who develop our natural resources. Thus when the Province was financially able to take over an oil well, coal mine or other natural resource, it could operate it as a socialized project, having first reimbursed the leaseholders to the full value of their improvements.

(d) Rigid control of prices charged by private operators of natural resources.

This would be necessary in order to protect the consumer.

Public Health Section Endorsed

We agree with the "Public Health" plank. Inasmuch as a complete detailed scheme was prepared by a committee appointed by the U.F.A. Government, it would seem that the next step is to get the plan into operation.

I dealt with "Education" in my first letter. As an ultimate aim it is ideal. As a practical possibility at present we can only ask, "Where is the money coming from?"

Under Taxation and Finance our committee felt that one other clause should be added, namely:

(d) Revision of the tax system, based upon ability to produce, rather than assessed value.

There are numerous cases on record in which property owners, through no fault of their own, hold title to non-revenue producing property. It is surely unfair, in such cases, to impose a heavy additional burden of

Ties with Opposition



Eamonn de Valera is president of the Irish Free State following last week's election, but opposition forces equal his own party representation in the Dail, and he is expected to seek support from the Independents.

taxation, particularly when they may be financially unable to pay.

In closing, Mr. Editor, may I repeat that we must be guided by practical possibilities. Political parties are noted for breaking their

Form Four Junior U.F.A. Locals During Medicine Hat Tour

Four new Junior U.F.A. Locals were organized in the Medicine Hat Federal Constituency during a recent tour by J. M. Wheatley, Director, and Mrs. Carl Anderson, U.F.W.A. Director, and Miss Margaret Archibald, President of the Junior U.F.A.

All three were present at meetings at Idlesleigh, where a Junior Local with an initial membership of 10 was formed, and Bindloss, where the new Junior Local starts with a membership of 16. Mr. Wheatley organized a Junior Local with 14 members at Social Plains, and reorganized the Scandia Juniors.

Much enthusiasm was shown at the various meetings, all of which with one exception were well attended.

School teachers are attending summer schools this year in record-breaking numbers—some 1,500 in Edmonton and 800 in Calgary, 2,300 in all.

promises, frequently because they have promised the impossible. The C.C.F. must not be guilty of this fatal error.

W. J. HARPER.

Claresholm, Alta.

Important letters from readers, strongly supporting the program, will be published in our next issue.

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Current News from Near and Far

PROVINCIAL

Edmonton Liberals will nominate a candidate shortly for the seat made vacant by the death of G. H. Van Allen.

Worry over crop conditions is thought to have been the cause of the suicide of Charles Megyes, Taber farmer, who hanged himself last week.

The inquiry into construction costs of the Edmonton-Wetaskiwin and Edmonton-Jasper highways, to be conducted by Mr. Justice Lunney, will open on August 16th.

A new system of collecting Provincial sales tax, by which individual receipts will be issued to purchasers by merchants for every payment of the tax, will be commenced on September 1st.

Operation of Alberta road camps will be continued for another month, to July 31st, according to arrangement of Provincial and Federal authorities, who jointly finance them. Some 750 men are now in the camps.

Falling from a Ferris wheel 25 feet to the ground, Mrs. Mary Bishop was killed at the Edmonton Exhibition on Tuesday evening, and two young girls with her were injured, one seriously. An investigation is being held.

To prepare a brief on Alberta's financial position, for submission to the Federal royal commission, the Provincial Government have employed two members of the staff of the University of Minnesota.

The coroner's inquest on the death of W. Potter, attendant in the Ponoka mental hospital, killed by an attack of one of the patients, declared that the staff could not be blamed. The jury recommended, however, that at least two attendants should be present in every workshop in the hospital.

A tire blowout on a rough approach to a bridge near Calgary was pronounced by a coroner's jury to have been responsible for four deaths, when the car driven by Edward Wales, Massachusetts tourist, went off the bridge into the irrigation canal below. One of the passengers, daughter of the driver, crawled out of the car through an open window and swam ashore.



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Because of poor crop prospects, 250 men at the Ogden shops have been laid off by the C.P.R.

The milk probe is to be held in private, despite protests of producers' organizations and others.

DOMINION

Dissatisfaction with the leadership of Premier Heppburn may lead to the organization of a new Reform Party by Ontario Liberals, it is reported.

That the B.C. marketing act was within the powers of the Provincial Legislature was the decision of the Appeal Court of the Province, handed down last Friday.

Dealing with 22,000 cases, the Farmers' Creditors Arrangement Act has made debt reductions aggregating about \$35,000,000 and interest reductions of \$4,000,000 a year.

Hon. J. G. Gardiner, Federal Minister of Agriculture, has announced that he will make public details of a plan for orderly marketing of livestock from the dry areas of the West.

Striking Indians consented to take their treaty money at Fort Resolution from R.C.M.P. officers on the assurance that their charges against Dr. Amyot, Indian agent, would be investigated.

The necessity of earning a living had forced him, after four years, to resign the editorship of *The New Commonwealth*, Toronto C.C.F. paper, and other work for the organization, said Graham Spry at a dinner given in his honor last week.

Voting 129 to 40 against a "popular front" alignment, the C.C.F. convention in B.C. last week decided for political independence. The delegates also expelled A. M. Stephen, candidate in the June 1st by-election for advocating "unconstitutional activity" among the members.

Some 300 Canadians, organized in their own companies, are taking a part in the offensive launched by the Spanish Loyalists against the Fascist forces which have threatened Madrid. Messages given by volunteers to Canadian correspondents declare that they are participating in the war for the purpose of defending freedom against the threat of Fascist tyranny in all parts of the world.

WORLD

Excessive heat caused 335 deaths in the U.S.A. up to Tuesday.

Both British and French bankers have refused General Franco's application for a \$100,000,000 loan, states a despatch from London.

A trade agreement between New Zealand and the U.S.A. will be made, said Hon. Walter Nash after a visit to President Roosevelt.

Maxim Litvinoff, U.S.S.R. Commissioner for Foreign Affairs, has warned Japan that Russia will not tolerate the presence of Japanese troops on Russian territory. A few days earlier a clash occurred between U.S.S.R. and Japanese troops on the Manchukuan border.

That Stalin's execution of Russian generals had nipped in the bud a Russo-German military intrigue is the recent statement of Wickham Stead, former editor of the *London Times*, who believes that the plot was to ensure the inactivity of the Russian army while Hitler enlarged his territory eastward.

The British Government will this year pay a guaranteed price on 64,000,000 bushels of wheat instead of 48,000,000 as previously.

Convicted of treason, in wrecking Soviet Russian railways in the interests of Japan, 24 men were executed on Saturday in Siberia.

Street fighting broke out between Fascist and Communist parades in Paris on Tuesday night—the eve of Bastille day, national holiday.

Owing to the congestion of legislative business in the U.S. Congress, new farm legislation concerning crop insurance and drought relief is likely to be crowded out of the sessional program.

Laurence Housman, famous British dramatist and author of the new play "Victoria Regina," was "not allowed" to deliver in the theatre a tribute he had prepared to former King Edward VIII, who had given permission for the play to be produced.

"Fascism has passed its zenith and is on the downgrade," Sir Walter Citrine, secretary of the British Trades Union Congress, stated at a meeting of the International Federation of Trades Unions in Warsaw, Poland. War, he said, was farther off because of increased preparedness of democracies to meet the Fascist challenge.

Indignation expressed by the New Zealand Minister of Labor, Mr. Armstrong, that the British Government should have opposed at the Geneva Conference of the International Labor Organization the raising of the age at which children may be employed in industry in India to twelve years, was "shared by an overwhelming majority of the Conference," stated the *Manchester Guardian*.

Japanese troops began on Tuesday a direct attack on Peiping, following intermittent fighting with Chinese forces for nearly a week. Heavy bombardment followed on Wednesday. The Tokio government is demanding of China the withdrawal of all troops from the area now involved; punishment of troops that have been engaged; the ending of anti-Japanese activities; and support of the Japanese drive against Communism.

International patrol of the Spanish-French frontier was suspended on Monday by the French Government, which has given assurance, however, that passage of foreign volunteers and munitions will not be allowed. Fascist Italian spokesmen previously threatened that "millions of Fascists" would take up what they would regard as a French challenge, should France "weaken the non-intervention system." Non-intervention, however, had become a farce, both Germany and Italy disregarding it completely and openly.

Strong protest against proposals to "reform" the League of Nations by elimination of the mutual assistance clauses, has been made in letters to the press by a distinguished group of British people, including Viscount Cecil, Sir Norman Angell and the Duchess of Atholl. The group also includes G. P. Gooch, famous historian of the last Great War, economists, and public men and women on different sides in politics. To the argument that "collective security" may tend to bring every state into any war, they reply that there was no League in 1914, yet nearly the whole world was brought into the conflict. Had the powers that sought war known that they would have to face a world united against them, such as the League might now organize against aggressors,

Subscriptions to "Farm Leader" Are Sent in by Locals

A single mail recently brought subscriptions for 12 persons to *The Western Farm Leader* from the Highland Park U.F.A. Local at Oyen. The subscriptions were sent in by J. A. Mowers, secretary. Though Oyen is in the drought area, farmers in the district are among the most punctilious in keeping their subscriptions paid up.

We wish to acknowledge subscriptions received recently from the following Locals: Bindloss U.F.A. (J. D. Rogers); Science Mound U.F.A., Donald (C. L. McKay); Excel U.F.A. (E. Anderson); Fairview U.F.A., Innisfail (Frank D. Stevenette); Barons U.F.A. (H. Renkenberger); Berrywater U.F.A., Vulcan (P. J. Haslam); Griffin Creek U.F.A. (J. W. Bateman); Morrin U.F.A. (P. H. Oliver).

Director Has Good Series of Meetings

Pays Tribute to Assistance Given by "Western Farm Leader"

Showing pictures on Denmark, T. F. Lovelock, U.F.A. Director for Jasper-Edson, recently addressed good meetings at Alcomdale, Independence, Picardville and Calahoo. At Picardville between 400 and 500 were present. Mr. Lovelock recounted the efforts of the organization, from its earliest days, in lessening the spread between what the producer of foodstuffs receives and what the consumer pays, emphasizing the fact that the U.F.A. sought to get more returns for the farmer-producers without penalizing the consumers. He paid a tribute to the assistance being given by *The Western Farm Leader*.

Junior Essay Contest

Have you started your essay for submission in *The Western Farm Leader* contest? The subject is "My Suggestions for the Furtherance of Peace," length of essay not more than one thousand words; first prize \$5, second \$3, third \$2. The contest is for Juniors. All essays must be received at the office of *The Western Farm Leader* on or before August 15th.

the Great War might have been prevented, they contend.

Thirty miners lost their lives at Stoke-on-Trent, England, from explosions followed by fires and flooding.

A 20 per cent increase in income tax, measures against income tax evasion, and new taxes on stamps, tobacco and telephones are being imposed by the new French Government in an effort to raise enough funds to balance the budget and pay railway losses.

Motion picture films of the May 30th strike disturbances have been shown to the U.S. Senate civil liberties committee and to officials of the Chicago police department. Senator Thomas declared the films gave proof of the "extreme brutality" of the police.

Two British warships rushed to Trinidad and marines were landed to quell disturbances connected with the recent strikes of negro workers there. The strikes started in the oil-fields and spread to plantations, workers asking increases in pay of from 7 to 12 cents an hour and reduction of hours from 54 to 48 weekly. The policy of Governor Fletcher was "summary treatment of agitators" though it may seem that agitators would not be required to incite discontent with a wage of 7 cents an hour for work in the broiling climate of Trinidad.

The World Crisis and All That

By "DIOGENES"

As your Editor has suggested, I want to talk not at you but with you, and not about your "practical" problems (in regard to which I have very little competence), but about certain fundamental and perhaps more personal matters. It'll be a little difficult to get to the point quickly. And maybe this column won't ever be as exciting as a detective story. But it's a pretty complicated mess we're all of us involved in, so you can't expect any attempt to unravel it to be so very simple either.

I want to discuss with you—eventually—whether we should be for or against large-scale planning for the West, the Wheat Board, the C.I.O., "Co-operation," Social Credit, Canada's rearmament, the League of Nations, etc. But I want first of all to clarify some of the basic principles which underlie all these great issues. Until we've done that our opinions have no more validity than anybody else's prejudices. All I ask is that you read thoughtfully and let me know through your Editor's office what you feel about it as we go along. I suppose we're agreed there is a world crisis—a prolonged crisis lasting right through the world war and all the period since, when men "have cried 'Peace, Peace,' and there is no peace." I have met those in North America who say, "Oh, it's just Europe that's gone crazy. We're all right on this continent provided we keep out of the European mess."

Now, I'd be the first to agree that in Canada and the U.S.A. you have very different material conditions from the European, and quite different mental attitudes, too. But it seems to me that the problems and conflicts which keep Europe continuously on the brink of war are in fact the common problems of Western man, of man at his highest point of development, of man at a critical turning-point in his evolution towards the light.

A Planet Circumscribed

It's worth while to look at some of the physical signs of our having reached a strange and crucial moment in our age-long history on this planet. First of all, there is the fact that the planet itself is one small interlinked unit as never before. Its territory is explored, every race knows something at least of every other; it is traversable by air in a few days and by wireless telephony in a few seconds. All these for the first time ever. We can talk to the opposite side of the Globe as though to our next door neighbor. It is also true that we've nothing much to say, except perhaps quote the latest market price of gold or wheat. At any rate, we have all become almost painfully aware that, for instance in economic affairs, all events are world events; and some have also realized that there are no intelligent politics except world politics. Interdependence is more than ever before exposed as an illusion; interdependence is the law of life.

There are other new things, of equally deep significance. Man's achievement of flight is of great meaning; the spiritualization of locomotion, as it were. And the splitting of the atom, surely that is of more than superficial import. Physical science in these last years has proved the immateriality of matter. What we used to think of as "solid matter" has been analysed to a finer and finer point till at last it isn't even a point, it is a mere knot of electric forces and tensions. And, in psychology, religion is being verified scientifically and science is resanctifying the mystery and wonder of personality.

Distress Without Indignity

So I'd like us to be agreed about this: we may be worried, we may be indignant, we may feel intolerably frustrated because neither economic security nor international peace are yet attained; but, with it all, the one

thing we have no justification for, is to doubt the significance, the dignity even, of our distresses. They are painful and prolonged, but they are also not meaningless. On the contrary, they are signs of our having reached a major turning point in history, a revolutionary crisis in human evolution. We might as well get what consolation we can out of that.

The first thing I have to do is to trace with you the general pattern of human life through its chief phases in the past to show how in this present age a new pattern is ready to be established, the outlines of which we can already see. Because I think it is only by such understanding that we shall be able to prevent war and make our contribution to that more positive and difficult deed—the ushering-in of the new and more generous order of things which is ours for the choosing.

When I said "pattern of life" just now, I was referring to this verifiable fact that any society at any given moment shows certain general characteristics which you can find exemplified in their economic system, their religious beliefs, their political organization, their art, and in fact everything which is theirs. All these manifestations are in some way inter-related. Just as you can tell the character and history of a person from his handwriting, or from the intuitive study of any of his main features at all; so a society can be shown to have certain outstanding moods and qualities of which everything it does are symptoms and symbols.

Social Patterns of the Past

Let me illustrate this from two great epochs—the Feudal Age, and the Nineteenth Century. These are in most respects directly opposite to each other, illustrating what is called the dialectic process of history; which is that when any partial, incomplete mode has established itself, life forces towards completeness by creating its opposite, a third new and fuller thing

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being born out of the clash of these opposites.

First, then, the Feudal System, with that authoritarian character which you can see in the Roman Catholic Church and in the Army (which are the chief survivals into the present of the Feudal Age). The main feature is the strict hierarchy of authority and discipline, with leaders quite definitely here, and obedient servants quite definitely there. Its picture is a sort of pyramid with all power and control at the apex, in the hands of chieftain, king or pope.

Disturbance came, as always, from "the next below." The fellow nearest the fellow who has all the power is liable to get envious and either demands that it be shared or just puts the other fellow out of the way and usurps power for himself. But the constant tendency is for power to sink downwards and be spread over a wider area. Your pyramid loses its apex altogether and the base begins to heave with little fellows who, after uncomplainingly carrying the weight of many masters on their backs for centuries, now begin to want to stand erect and be bosses themselves.

So we get the French Revolution, the Industrial Revolution, the Reform Bills in England, universal suffrage, and a marked increase in the notion "I'm as good as you are, anyway" and in the saying that "one man's opinion is as good as another's"; etc., etc. Just as the Feudal Age was authoritarian, so you may call the Nineteenth Century libertarian. The one you may say had Order without Liberty, the other Liberty with a steadily increasing tendency to disorder and chaos:

The Snag in Liberty

For that is what we have to face: that liberty as we have known it so far means liberty to compete, liberty to struggle for power, every man's hand against his neighbor and nation against nation. And there is a vicious circle about it too. The fiercer the competition, the greater the barrier of suspicion which a man sets between himself and his fellow-creatures. And that increasing isolation has always this result that the individual—or the nation—feels more and more such insecurity and such inadequacy that he is driven to seek possessions or power or prestige or something, anything, which may bolster up his waning sense of importance and security. For an individual, or for a nation, these are the steps paving the road to hell. Isolation is hell, and separateness the great, perhaps the only, sin.

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What I am most anxious to demonstrate is that in this wretched impasse, the world has proposed the same sort of solution for the personal as for the international aspect of the trouble. As between individuals, it is known as Tolerance, Co-operation, Service Clubs, Community-welfare Committees (etc., etc.). As between nations, it is called "Collective Security under the League of Nations." I don't wish to sneer at any of these things, but I put it to you that, at best, they have been an uneasy suspension, or a polite glossing-over, of the real conflicts. They seem to be impotent, when it comes to major troubles, to do more than "prevent war." The germ of creative dynamic, organic human-togetherness is not in them. In the next issue we'll try to see what has been lacking and how we must deeply rethink some of our notions about humanity in order to meet the deficiency.

Captain Hatfield of *Gypsum Queen* fame will be committed for trial on a charge of obtaining over \$71,000 from the Government under false pretences. During the war the ship sank, he claimed, after being torpedoed by a German submarine; but authorities now believe the cause was bad weather.

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A MOMENTOUS PERIOD IN HISTORY

Civilization May Go on to Undreamed of Possibilities for Enrichment or May Suffer New Partial Eclipse

Warwick Farm,
Edgerton, Alberta:

Dear Farm Women:

There come times in our lives when we are prone to look back and review the past. Out of the crowding memories there always mingle the happy and the sad, the gay and the grave, the pleasant and the unpleasant. Out of it, too, there are usually memories we regret exceedingly and also, happily, some for which we are grateful. We note opportunities we missed as well as those we grasped. Happy the person whose first exceeds the second.

No doubt these reflections of the past may be interesting and also beneficial, because at times they prevent us from repeating our former mistakes. It is pitiful, though, when they occupy too large a space in our life. Life is gone if too much of our time is spent reflecting on the past. It is still ours when we look forward to the future.

Disappointments of the Past

Today many of us in Alberta find ourselves with many disappointments over the past. Disappointments over the outcome of our private enterprise and disappointments over the results of our social efforts of the past. Most of us have learned or are learning there is little use in wailing over the past in our personal disappointments. We realize we must go on with every intelligent effort, bent on plans for the future. Some of us seem to have thought it was possible to do differently when it came to our social efforts.

However, it is even more necessary that intelligent thought and effort be centered on our social future. Possibly there was never a period in the history of civilization when conditions were so momentous. We are at a time when civilization can go on to undreamed of possibilities for the development of the people

and for the fullness and richness of life; or, almost unbelievable as it may seem, civilization may experience another partial eclipse.

What Legacy Shall We Leave?

This generation passes on, leaving a legacy behind. It can leave as a legacy a chaotic, selfish society working for the benefit and the profit of the few, or it can leave a legacy of a working plan for the development of society for the well-being of each and every member. It can plan and work for a society which will develop every member to his or her capacity, resulting in a civilization of marvellous achievements and happiness.

It is necessary, however, for each and every person to realize that he or she is wittingly or unwittingly making a contribution to that legacy. As surely as we live and as surely as we must ourselves pass on, we are leaving a legacy behind us. There is no such thing as an individual making no contribution. Where is yours going?

Yours sincerely,
H. ZELLA SPENCER.Alberta Farm Women
in ConferenceSuccessful Gatherings Reported
From Various Parts of
Province

Attendance of 200

Over two hundred attended the joint U.F.W.A. Conference of Jasper-Edson and Edmonton constituencies, in Edmonton recently, under the convener'ship of Mrs. Angus Baker and Mrs. M. Lowe. Mrs. Baker welcomed the delegates, stressing the value of the organization to the farm people. Dr. Mildred Folinsbee Newell (convener of public health for the National Council of Women) gave an instructive talk on family limitation.

Papers were contributed by various Locals as follows: Group Hospitalization, Fort Saskatchewan; New Curriculum, Willow Springs; Child Welfare, Notre Dame; Why I am a Member of the U.F.W.A., Poplar Lake; Horticulture, Horse Hills; Household Economics, Hansen's Corners; Co-operation, Holborne; Adult Education, Naimao; Youth, Turnip Lake; Family Limitation, Capital City.

Mrs. Banner, Provincial Vice-president, was the special speaker in the afternoon; other guests were Mrs. W. D. MacNaughton, and Mrs. R. R. McBride, directors for Vegreville and Macleod; Miss Margaret Archibald, Junior President; Miss Helen Breckenridge, Junior director; Miss E. Birch, U.F.A. Provincial Secretary, and Miss Winnifred Ellston, assistant U.F.W.A. Secretary.

Miss Patricia Page gave an illustrated talk on "The Grads in Europe"; Mrs. Brink and Miss Ellston gave solos, Mrs. Mitchell and Mrs. Craig acting as accompanists. Mrs. Lowe led community singing.

Red Deer Conference

There was an attendance of around 125 for the U.F.W.A. Conference of Locals in the northern part of Red Deer Constituency, held at Sylvan Lake recently, and interest in the

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discussions was very evident. Dr. evinced a real interest, writes Mrs. A. McCullough of the Provincial Training School, Ronald Pye, U.F.A. Director, and Mrs. Marie Malloy, Provincial President, were the speakers. There was an enjoyable program of solos and duets, and a fine display of handicrafts. Picnic lunches were the order of the day at noon, and in the evening Burnt Lake Local served supper at fifteen cents.

Stettler Farm Women

Mrs. Winifred Ross and Mrs. Mary Banner, Provincial Vice-presidents of the U.F.W.A., were the afternoon speakers at the recent U.F.W.A. Conference of Stettler constituency. Mrs. Zipperer being absent through illness, Mrs. Finlay took the chair. There was a good attendance of delegates and visitors, some coming from the farthest parts of the constituency, and all

Vegreville Conference

Mrs. A. MacNaughton presided over the tenth annual summer U.F.W.A. Conference in Vegreville, and Mrs. E. J. Walker was appointed secretary.

Mrs. Winifred Ross, First Vice-president, gave a very fine address on the radio and adult education; Mrs. Hackett gave a paper on "Why I am a Member of the U.F.W.A."; and Mrs. Lundgren gave a paper on cardinal secrets of success.

A musical program was contributed to by Mrs. Doige, Miss Jean Gillison, Mrs. Third, Master Harold McCarty, Miss Clara Wagner, Mrs. Dorward, and Mrs. Long; Mrs. Flintoff led in community singing, and Tofield Local gave two original songs that were

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JULY

The newspaper prattles and preaches
Of holiday places to go.
Of mountains and rivers and beaches
Delectable pictures they show.
The golfing and riding and fishing
They very seductively flaunt,
And start quite a few of us wishing
We might take a jaunt.

But berries are ripe in the valley,
And berries are ripe on the hill,
So forth to the harvest we sally,
Our cellars for winter to fill.
The garden still needs some attention;
We must thin and can the young
beets;
Before jobs too many to mention
Our leisure retreats.

Were none of these reasons substan-
tial
Enough to confine us to home,
There also are reasons financial
To see that abroad we don't roam.
But exercise, fresh air, and beauty
Right here are our own to com-
mand,
And though somewhat loaded with
duty
Our summers are grand!

ISA GRINDLAY JACKSON.

enthusiastically received.
Miss Milne judged the exhibits of
handicrafts, awarding first place to
Vegreville, second to Tofield, third to
Ranfurly and fourth to Lamont.
The following resolutions were
passed:

Radio Education

Whereas, a committee on radio
education has been appointed, and
whereas no representative of the rural
population is given on this committee,
therefore be it resolved that we re-
spectfully petition the Government to
include in the personnel of this com-
mittee a representative of the U.F.A.

"Western Farm Leader"

Whereas, we feel *The Western Farm
Leader* is giving the support mostly
needed, therefore we should all give it
our greatest support in the form of
renewal or continued subscriptions.
We, as farm women, wish to have
the children's program over CKUA
from 5:30 to 6 p.m.

**Activities of United Farm
Women's Locals**

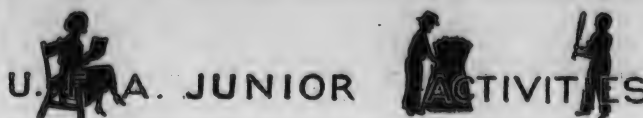
Members of Strathmore U.F.W.A.,
gathered at the home of Mrs. Frantz,
spent a very enjoyable afternoon when
Miss Switzer gave a demonstration
on interior decoration.

Mrs. Carter was a guest at a recent
meeting of Hillside U.F.W.A., and her
address was listened to with much
interest. A vote of thanks was passed
to Mrs. Runte and her family for put-
ting on a play, from which the Local
treasury benefitted to the extent of
\$10.21.

The annual strawberry social held
by Willow Springs U.F.W.A. was a
real success, netting about \$60. The
quilt that was raffled was won by Mr.
Hill and the cushion by Mrs. O. Mc-
Kenzie. The Local are now planning
to build a shack to be used for a
kitchen, as they have to use the school
house for their gatherings.

Namoo U.F.W.A. have assisted in
sending one of their young people to
the Junior Conference and another
to the School of Community Life;
they have also held their annual
strawberry social, so "in all have spent
a very active and satisfying month,"
writes the secretary, Mrs. Craig.

Nanton U.F.W.A. were guests at a
recent meeting of Cayley U.F.W.A.
The program included vocal solos by
Mrs. Pinder and Mrs. R. Walker, a

**My Impression of the Canadian Youth Congress**

By MARGARET ARCHIBALD

President, Junior Branch, United Farmers of Alberta

To express my thoughts of the 1937
Canadian Youth Congress is both
difficult and pleasant. First, it is
difficult to put into words the things
that one gains personally through con-
versation and association with other
young people engaged in similar en-
deavor to one's own. Secondly, it is
pleasant to at least try to thank
those of the East for their kindness
and courtesy to us. After a long and
rather tiring train journey I especially
appreciated this air of hospitality.
Also we must commend them for the

splendid manner in which all Congress
activities were arranged, allowing for
the maximum of work in the minimum
of time.

Can Work on Dominion-wide Basis

I marvelled at the extent to which
youth work in Canada had been de-
veloped. Until my attendance at the
Congress I had not fully realized the
significance of the Youth movement in
Canada and the power it had already
attained for itself, and the participa-
tion this year of our French Canadian
brothers was a decided step forward.
It seems that it is possible for youth
to work together on a Dominion-wide
basis, not as individual organizations
but as CANADIAN YOUTH. The
Congress, as I saw it, was not for the
purpose of threshing out our differ-
ences. No, but to bring to the top
those things upon which we DO agree,
and from them, form our basis for co-
operation and future endeavor.

I am convinced now, more than ever,
of youth's ability to conduct themselves
and their Congress in an intelligent
and businesslike way. And, my readers,
don't think for one minute that this
was an easy task, when you consider
nearly one thousand young people
and almost that many differences of
opinion. An attitude of tolerance was
present throughout.

Youth has ability. I am convinced
that Canadian Youth are equally
capable of making a contribution to
society in their serious and intelligent
approach to their problems as those
who are charged with that duty today,
if they are not more so.

War Not Inevitable

Canadian Youth are not satisfied
with things as they are. The Congress
stated that economic conditions which
bar young people from living normal
lives should be changed. They agreed
that war is not inevitable and that
steps can and should be taken im-
mediately to prevent its re-occurrence.

With all due respect to the older
folk, and realizing too the great pro-
gress that has been attained through

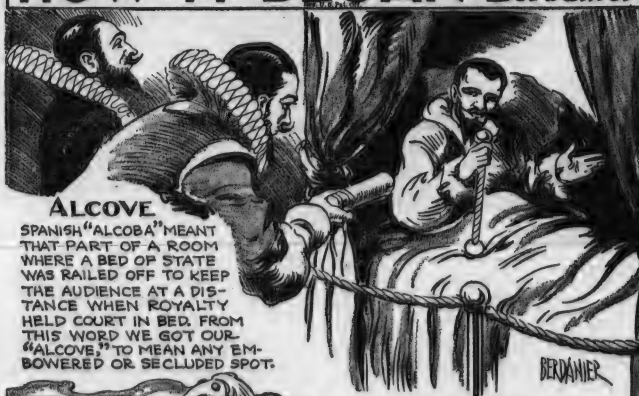
Farm Home and Garden**Pineapple and Cottage Cheese Salad:**

Arrange pineapple slices on lettuce
leaves, on individual plates; on this
place a ball or mould of cottage cheese,
and cover with sour cream dressing.
Delicious, unless you happen to be
one of those benighted persons who
doesn't like cottage cheese.

Sour Cream Dressing: Beat until
stiff one cup curd cream; add lemon or
pineapple juice for flavoring. May
be used either for fruit or vegetable
salads, but is particularly good with
the former.

Golden Glow Salad: Dissolve 1
package of lemon jelly powder in 1-1/2
cups boiling water; add 2 tablespoons
vinegar and 1/2 teaspoon salt. When
slightly thickened, add 1 cup grated
raw carrot, 1/2 teaspoon minced onion
and 1 cup cucumber, diced and drained.

Silver Polish: Boil together 2
ounces good yellow soap, half a pound
good whitening and 1 pint water; when
cold, stir in 1 ounce spirit of hartshorn.
Bottle. Shake well before using.
Highly recommended.

HOW IT BEGAN By Paul F. Berdanier**ALCOVE**

SPANISH "ALCOBA" MEANT
THAT PART OF A ROOM
WHERE A BED OF STATE
WAS RAILED OFF TO KEEP
THE AUDIENCE AT A DIS-
TANCE WHEN ROYALTY
HELD COURT IN BED. FROM
THIS WORD WE GOT OUR
"ALCOVE" TO MEAN ANY EM-
POWERED OR SECLUDED SPOT.

**HERMETICALLY
SEALED**

EGYPTIAN GOD THOTH, LATER
CALLED HERMES, WAS THE RE-
PUTED FATHER OF ALCHEMISTRY
AND MEDICINE. HENCE, BECAUSE
THE ALCHEMIST'S ART REQUIRED
TIGHTLY SEALED JARS, WE GOT
THE TERM "HERMETICALLY
SEALED" TO MEAN A TIGHTLY
CLOSED VESSEL.

**First Convention of
Alberta C.C.Y.M.
Important Event**

Clubs Section Will Parallel, in
Urban Centres, Work
of Junior U.F.A.

Of particular interest to junior
farm young people was the first annual
convention of the C.C.Y.M. Alberta
Club Section, an organization which
will parallel the work of the Junior
U.F.A. as a Provincial set-up for
urban young people.

Officers of C.C.Y.M.

Meeting in the Al Azhar Temple
in Calgary on July 6th and 7th, the
convention acclaimed as President the
popular Bill Thornton, who for the
past few years has been an active
worker in the Edmonton C.C.Y.M.
Vice-President of the new executive
is Tom Roberts, President of the newly-
formed Calgary C.C.Y.M. Other
members of the executive are—Marg-
aret McCallum, Secretary; Dick Owen
Treasurer; with Jess Jones filling the
vacancy of Past President; completing
the Executive Committee are Tommy
Chong, Harry Gregory, Connie Chan-
dler, and Ted Jenkinson.

Starting promptly on Tuesday morn-
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their efforts, I feel that the Canadian
Youth Congress Movement will go
down in history as pointing the way
for both old and young alike to a
richer life through gainful employ-
ment, education, sane social life and
above all—security.

Junior News Items

Very interesting reports were given
by Edith Shapley, Irma Earley and
Irving Peterson, Alix Junior delegates
to Edmonton, at a recent meeting.

Leland is the name of a new Junior
Local in the Bindloss district, with
Gerard Lydsman and Muriel Demarest
as officers. Sixteen young people
signed the roll.

A new Junior Local has been orga-
nized near Idlesleigh, with Adrian
Larson as president, Delmou Stennes
secretary and Messrs. A. Stennes and
Chester Bjelland as supervisors.

Gladys Swinburne and Dean Moore
are the officers of a newly organized
Junior Local at Social Plains, in
Empress constituency. Messrs. H. G.
Moore and John Fowlie are super-
visors.

At their last meeting Dalemead
Juniors answered the roll call by
giving a brief description of "An Ideal
Holiday." They made arrangements
for a tennis tournament, and a dance
to be held July 23rd, at which they
will raffie the two quilts shown at
Edmonton.

Roll call on "Some Interesting
Book and Why You Thought it
Interesting"; reports on the Junior
Conference; and plans for a dance
and for an essay contest occupied the
attention of Willow Springs Juniors
at their last meeting.

Holding their first meeting for the
year in April, Wayne Juniors have
enrolled fifteen paid-up members and
expect more to join later. They took
in over \$64 at a barn dance last
month, and sent a visitor and a
delegate to the Junior Conference.
Hans Boe, Erna Jorgensen and Joe
Christensen are the officers this year.

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Crop Conditions and Markets

Crop conditions in Western Canada as at July 1st suggest a crop of 201-1/2 million bushels. There has been much deterioration since that date, particularly in Saskatchewan and Alberta, but the figures by Provinces as at July 1st indicate yields as follows:

Manitoba.....	45,735,000 bushels
Saskatchewan.....	72,799,000 "
Alberta.....	82,998,000 "

(*) Total (see foot-note).....201,532,000 bushels

The week ending July 10th was a severe one on Alberta crops, as intense heat and high winds prevailed. Scattered rains were experienced over the week-end and early this week. Many points reported substantial downpours. Trochu, for instance, reported a rain of 3/4 inch, Delia 1 inch, Edmonton 1-3/4 in., Three Hills 1/2 in., Lacombe 1 in.

The eastern and south-eastern areas of Alberta are pretty well gone; some sections got rain, but too late. With rains a fair crop could be harvested in many parts of the wheat area on the western side of the Province.

The absence of subsoil moisture is making itself felt now and general rains are needed to fill the heads of the wheat that is still surviving.

The United States is reaping a very good winter wheat crop and the spring wheat crop is fairly promising save for the menace of rust. The July 1st estimate by the United States Department of Agriculture indicated a wheat yield of over 882 million bushels. This is the largest crop that country has raised since 1931.

The market has risen steadily, largely due to deterioration in Saskatchewan, and rust threats in Manitoba.

(*) The above crop estimates are those of B. W. Snow, United States crop estimator, based upon the Dominion Department of Agriculture's report upon crop conditions as at July 1st. The Department itself does not at this time issue actual estimated totals.

Milk and Cream Prices

CALGARY and EDMONTON

All butter markets have been very strong and firm throughout the week. The Coast market, however, imparted the main strength, and practically all available cars of Saskatchewan butter during the past week have been sold at Vancouver. The local market also advanced 10 per pound, effective Wednesday, July 14th. Cream deliveries show little change. However, production should hold up well during the coming month due to recent rains over the southern part of the Province. Butter fat prices remain unchanged. Churn cream is based on 22c for special grade, delivered Calgary and Edmonton. City milk is \$2.35 Calgary and \$2.23 Edmonton per cwt. for 3.6 butter fat. Table cream 32c at both Calgary and Edmonton.

Livestock Markets Review

CALGARY STOCKYARDS, July 13th.—The cattle market is slow with plain cattle lower. Hogs are higher with selects \$9.40, bacon \$8.90 and butchers \$8.40 off trucks. Lambs are lower, selling at \$7 to \$7.50. Good butcher steers are \$7, common to medium \$2.50 to \$6.75; good heifers \$5 to \$6, common to medium \$2.50 to \$4.50; good cows \$3.75 to \$4, odd tops, \$4.25, common to medium \$2 to \$3. Good bulls are \$3 to \$3.50; good to choice veal calves \$4.50 to \$5, common to medium \$2 to \$4; good stocker steers \$3.25 to \$4.50, common \$2 to \$3; good stock cows and heifers \$2.25 to \$3, common \$1.50 to \$2.

EDMONTON STOCKYARDS, July 13th.—The cattle market is fairly steady but is showing a lower trend on the common and in-between kinds. Good to choice butcher steers are \$6 to \$7, fair to medium \$4.50 to \$5.50, common to fair \$3 to \$4.50. Good to choice heifers \$5 to \$5.50; good butcher cows \$3 to \$3.50, common to medium \$1.50 to \$2.50; canners and cutters \$1 to \$1.50; bulls \$2 to \$3. All above prices are on the basis of grass cattle. Good stockers and feeders are selling at \$3 to \$3.50, stocker heifers \$2 to \$3; good to choice fed calves \$5 to \$5.50. The hog market is considerably stronger with selects \$9.50, bacon \$9.00 and butchers \$8.50 off trucks. Lambs are \$7.50 down.

Wembley Grower Carries Off Major Awards

A. E. Allsop, Wembley, carried off the major awards in wheat at the Calgary Exhibition, winning first place in the hard red spring wheat classes, including the U.G.G. trophy and the Royal Bank special award. P. J. Rock, Morrin, won first place in the registered wheat class, and the Alberta Pacific trophy. J. Rigby, Wembley, who won first in the open hard red spring wheat class, and the Sebastians, James and Albert, also of Wembley, also took high places.

Urges Constituencies to Enter Contest

Urging all U.F.A. Federal Constituency Boards to take part in the membership contest arranged by the U.F.A. Executive, Miss Eileen Birch, Secretary of the U.F.A., points out in a recent circular that some constituencies have already earned a 10 per cent rating in the contest by holding conventions, and points out that it is not yet too late for others to do so. As previously announced in this paper, 50 per cent will be given for increase in general membership over 1936, in all three branches, 20 per cent for the largest U.F.W.A. membership in 1937, 20 per cent for the largest Junior membership in 1937, and 10 per cent for the holding of a constituency convention.

Minerals Necessary to Good Hog Ration

By S. H. McCLELLAND, V.S.

It is a well established fact that without exception grains suitable for hog feeding do not contain sufficient mineral to give adequate mineral nutrition for hogs. Even where hogs are being fattened for the market and the minimum amount of mineral is necessary the addition of inorganic mineral will improve the ration, making it more efficient, and at the same time produce a much stronger bone.

Thousands of dollars are lost annually because of losses sustained from broken legs and broken backs while hogs are in transit. This virtually can be eliminated by feeding a ration containing sufficient mineral in a properly balanced form. Growing pigs likewise require additional mineral in their ration for maximum bone development.

The Greatest Need

Perhaps the greatest need, however, for a mineral supplement to an ordinary grain ration is for the pregnant sows. Nature has provided the sow

with the ability to withdraw mineral from her skeleton with which to build the bone and tissues of the young pigs. If the bone of the sow is already underdeveloped because her ration has been deficient in mineral, it is easy to see that her bones will become weakened because of further withdrawal of mineral.

After the litter is farrowed, there is another and still greater drain upon the sow's system for these minerals, as milk contains a large amount of minerals and it must be supplied from some source. As a result of this depletion of mineral reserve in the skeleton of the pregnant and suckling sow, thousands of sows break down in the back annually with a condition referred to as going down in the back or posterior paralysis.

First Symptom

The first symptom noticed is that the sow has difficulty in getting up, and frequently has to be "tailed up" by the attendant. She usually has an unsteady gait, appearing to be losing control of her hind legs. Finally she fails to get up at all, and drags both hind legs.

This condition can be prevented by feeding a mineral supplement in the ration. For proper mineral nutrition two factors are necessary. First, the mineral must be present in the ration in adequate amounts, and second, Vitamin D, which is present in concentrates or in all green feeds and in green colored, leafy leguminous hays, must be present. Sunshine to a certain extent will take the place of green feeds in developing Vitamin D in the system of the animal, but during the winter months and early spring cloudy weather and the fact that the sun is a considerable distance from the earth, lessens its value for this purpose. However, good sows as well as pigs should be kept in the sunshine as much as possible.

A mineral supplement for hogs is not expensive, as the amount required for satisfactory results is comparatively small. While some protein supplements such as tankage and skim milk, contain certain amounts of mineral, it is well to keep a mineral supplement mixture before all classes of hogs at all times.

By pouring large quantities of acid into Turner Valley oil wells, several have increased production by 75 to 100 per cent.

qualifications of a teacher. I am just a farm woman who would like a better deal for the rural teacher. Neither do I board a teacher. We are in one of the larger units, Sullivan Lake, No. 9.

The teachers take their punishment with that drought area grin and philosophy saying: "Well, as long as we haven't got it we're not spending it"—a very glaring example of LACK OF PURCHASING POWER.

Yours truly,

EDNA LUNCE.

Dowling P.O., Alta.

Consider Position in Dry Areas

These questions may seem somewhat selfish but let's consider their position. We expect teachers to set a high example, to be benefactors, consider it their duty to build character, and where possible elevate pupils above the 13 year average. No consideration is forthcoming to enable them to buy books, clothes, or as in some instances, help out financially at home, or pay their board. In many cases poor harassed women in the drought area have to wait three and four months at a time for board money, which is also an injustice.

True enough, from the city farmer's point-of-view, "There's always lots to eat on a farm." This smugly complacent tribe never take into consideration that, to feed chicks, there must be grain; to raise calves, there must be milk; for the calves' parents, pasture in summer and hay, bundles, and shelter in winter; to grow grain, there must be an expensive outfit of horses and machinery, the former needing pasture and oats, the latter tariff protected repairs; never realizing that towels, toilet soap, sheets, coal, coal oil, etc., etc., do not grow in the drought area.

Mr. Editor, will you please take up the cudgels for the rural teacher—i.e., make an effort to EDUCATE the Minister of Education?

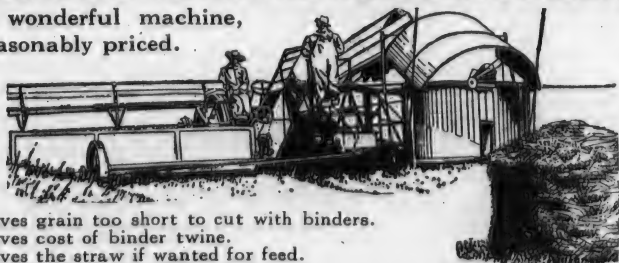
As your article points out, "The Minister of Education has himself had lengthy experience in the teaching profession." I'll wager he never taught four months at a stretch without salary—NOT EVER.

Purely Impersonal

This is purely impersonal and I am certainly not excusing the Inspector. I am neither wife, mother nor sister of a teacher, and lack ability and

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BLINDMAN VALLEY FARMERS DO BIG CO-OP. BUSINESS

Livestock Association Business Nearly Half Million Dollars—Heavy Cut in Marketing Costs

RIMBEY, Alta.—The fourteenth annual convention of the Blindman Valley Live Stock Association was held recently at Bentley. The financial statement showed that the association had done close to half a million dollars worth of business this year.

This association was organized fourteen years ago in this Valley, with 300 charter members. At present it has close to 2,000 patrons. They own their own stock yards and scales at 12 towns along this Lacombe-Leduc C.P.R. line.

R. E. Chowen has been president since the organization of the association.

Some Achievements

The association has reduced the price of marketing hogs from 65 cents to 37 cents per hundred, thus making quite a saving to the producer. 324 cars of hogs, gross value of \$417,911.99, were handled by the association together with 24-1/2 cars of cattle and 5 cars of sheep for the year 1936.

After the business and election of officers was completed able addresses were delivered by I. V. Parslow, of Calgary, W. C. McKenzie, Lethbridge, president of the Southern Co-operative Association, and F. H. Newcombe, Provincial District Agricultural Representative.

C.C.Y.M. CONVENTION

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ing, the convention heard fraternal greetings to the new organization from Margaret Archibald, of the Junior U.F.A., Ben Swankey, of the Y.C.L., E. E. Roper of the C.C.F., and William Pettigrew of the Calgary Youth Council.

Billed as the main speaker of the convention was Jack King, the National Secretary of the C.C.Y.M. in Canada. Discussing the national situation, Mr. King outlined the difficulties which had been met by the National Executive, and discussed with particular emphasis the places where the plans of the Executive had fallen down.

No Possibility of Conflict

A carefully planned constitution was ratified by the convention, with care being taken to prevent any possibility of conflict with the work of the Junior U.F.A., which is carrying on a program of interest to agricultural

Veterinary Questions and Answers

Questions on the care of animals in illness will be answered in this column from issue to issue by a graduate veterinarian with 25 years' experience in practice in Alberta. Every paid-up subscriber to The Western Farm Leader is entitled to have a question answered. The subscription is One Dollar per year.

Scrotal Rupture

Stettler, Alta.—Have colt with quite a scrotal rupture. Kindly let me know what treatment you advise.

Answer.—This trouble usually disappears with age when colicky symptoms are present. Roll colt on its back and manipulate the scrotum to return bowel.

Stringhalt

Spirit River, Alta.—What treatment would you advise for horse with stringhalt.

Answer.—Treatment very unsuccessful although an operation can be performed that will relieve this condition for which the service of a Veterinarian should be secured.

Poll Evil

Alix, Alta.—I have a horse with quite a large swelling on top of head. It seems to be getting larger and seems to bother him very much. What can I do for this?

Answer.—Would advise you consult your Veterinarian, as an operation is the only treatment for this condition, which is Poll Evil.

young people, with an organization similar to the urban C.C.Y.M. Aided by Margaret Archibald, President of the Junior U.F.A., and Bill Runte, who were given voice and vote in the meeting, a constitutional send off was given to C.C.Y.M. organization in the Province.

Among resolutions passed at the convention was one recommending a joint C.C.Y.M.-U.F.A. Junior Summer Camp. Other resolutions were: A recommendation that the Provincial Executive work toward affiliation with the C.C.F., and bring in definite proposals to this effect at the next Provincial convention; that the C.C.Y.M. in co-operation with the Junior U.F.A. and Y.C.L. initiate a campaign in aid of Spanish democracy; that the C.C.Y.M. Clubs set up an executive committee to promote co-operation with other socialist organizations.

Support Youth Congress Movement

Support was given to the Youth Congress Movement; disapproval of the armament program of the Dominion Government expressed; and the convention decided to appoint a fraternal delegate to the Saskatchewan C.C.Y.M. Convention; organization of workers into unions of their own choice was regarded with favor, and the encouragement of such organization in Alberta was urged. The official emblem of the C.C.Y.M. will be a white torch on black field, with letters "C.C.Y.M." encircled across the face, if the convention's proposal is adopted.

Another important resolution which was passed insisted that as the Dominion Government had set aside a sum of money for the rehabilitation of youth, this money be administered by youth itself, or by its direct representatives.

To Appoint Organizers

With a view to an intensive organization program, the Convention resolved to appoint two Provincial organizers, one for the north and one for the south. These organizers were instructed to work in closest co-operation with the C.C.F. organizers.

The Convention adjourned at 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday evening, and the delegates spent the evening enjoying themselves at the play and dance in the Al Azhar Temple.

July Is Co-operators' Month

Many Important Meetings on Calendar

By OBSERVER

Principles and practices of co-operation in this Province will be brought to public notice this month through the medium of a series of annual meetings.

July 20th and 21st in Edmonton, are the dates set for the meeting of the Alberta section of the Co-operative Union of Canada. This organization is directly concerned with consumer co-operation, and its expansion. It has as its head William Halsall, Killam, one of the pioneers and enthusiasts of the movement in Alberta. The two-day session should be of considerable value in further cementing the bonds between existing consumer co-operative bodies, and in making possible a central clearing house through which potential consumer co-operatives may secure the advice and assistance they always need.

A most valuable field of activity seems to lie ahead of the Provincial unit of the Co-operative Union of Canada, and it is to be desired that it will have the support of all organizations eligible for membership in it.

On July 23rd, the second annual meeting of the Alberta Co-operative Council, will be held in Calgary. The Council has as its members, co-operative organizations engaged in the selling and purchasing of farm commodities. It was organized in March, 1936, and since that time has been active in the common affairs of its members. It is expected that the

various commodity groups in the Council, will hold separate meetings the day preceding the annual meeting.

In addition to the above, a large number of organizations will hold their annual business assemblies this month.

At all of these, those who are not today close to the co-operative movement in this Province can widen their knowledge, and to this end a day or so spent in attending some of these sessions should be well worth while.

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The question of who should haul the milk and cream of co-operatives, the farmers, private truckers, or the co-operatives, is a question discussed at all meetings of dairying organizations, not only in Alberta and the rest of Canada, but in the United States.

A survey has recently been made in Ohio on this question, among the memberships of four old-established associations. The members were asked the question, "Do you think the association should handle all hauling?"

Approximately 70 per cent of those who gave a definite answer indicated that their association should handle the hauling. New association members were about evenly divided on the question.

Those making the survey stated in their report that more detailed examination of the answers shows that there was little relationship between a producer's reply, his present hauling rate, his classification, or his distance from market.

Co-operatives Have Proved Their Value

Producers and consumers numbering millions have organized in many countries for efficient marketing of their products and lower costs of merchandise and services.

Much progress has been made in Alberta in the last fifteen or more years. There have been some mistakes and some failures, but there has been much valuable work done.

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DROUGHT CONDITIONS

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cognizing that a spark might set off a conflagration, especially if sensational use of propaganda were continued, he asserted that there is a better spirit of understanding and co-operation than for some time. There was also, he found, among governments and peoples alike a realization that another war might not only destroy the nations taking part, but civilization itself.

The Royal Commission

Aside from the emergency situation arising out of drought, the Federal Cabinet will deal this week, it is expected, with some of the problems set aside when the Ministers hurried away to the Coronation. Foremost among these is the Royal Commission on Taxation and Social Responsibilities. Great secrecy has surrounded the personnel of the Commission. The latest rumor is that Professor Jacob Viner of Chicago will be asked to take the chairmanship, that one Britisher will be on the board, and that the other three will be Canadians. Dr. MacIntosh of Queen's has been suggested in some quarters as a likely choice; he is at present a member of the National Employment Commission. He is looked upon as one of the leading economists of the Dominion.

In view of the light wheat crop and the high price expected to prevail, the unofficial view here is that the

Government will choose to continue the present Wheat Board as at present on an interim, inactive basis, and wait until next summer to formulate a permanent policy, based not only on the Turgeon report, which is expected to be available by then, but also on the debates which are sure to take place in the forthcoming session of Parliament.

Textile and Furniture Tariffs

Drastic action on textile and furniture tariffs is being predicted in some quarters. The raise in the latter last month was keenly resented by some private members in the Liberal party, and the Prime Minister himself is said to have been personally opposed to it, although he adopted the move because it had the support of the majority of the Cabinet. The Turgeon report in textiles will, it is supposed, recommend further reduction in all schedules, especially those in the silk and artificial silk categories.

Trade discussion with New Zealand, France and Australia are being carried on. In all cases agreements are in existence, but it is hoped to make them more satisfactory to the interested parties.

What's Doing? at CFAC

Popular melodies combined with a thrilling, hair-raising mystery story forms the basis of the new CFAC feature, "The Shop Foreman" which made its introduction on the airwaves last Friday. This novel program set-up takes to the air now each Tuesday and Friday at 6:45 p.m. Setting is the sponsor's recreation room with the manager-in-chief acting as the "Shop Foreman," or in the lingo of the theatre, the master of ceremonies.

A pleasing informality marks each presentation of the "Shop Foreman" to ring into the homes with a friendliness that is fast gaining an enthusiastic audience.

Real, genuine old-fashioned hog-downs, presenting beloved mountain melodies, homespun harmonies and rustic rhythm—that is the theme of the "Eveready Ranch Boys" presented by the Canadian National Carbon Co. Ltd., each Monday, Wednesday, and Friday evening, 9:30 p.m. over CFAC. Those true exponents of real hill-billy music, the Fields and Hall Mountaineers, do the honors in right good style with their mountain tunes to the music of the accordion, violin, jews-harp and cornet.

Friendly, human is their program, swinging over the rolling range to the



By SYDNEY MAY

Hello, Folks!

We have discovered why that Eastern writer said that the farmer makes too much fuss about drought conditions. Yep, that guy has found out that whether it's wet or dry the farmer's bound to get soaked, anyhow.

EFFICIENCY EXPERT

The guy who chained up the wolf at the door and then stuck up a notice: "Beware of the Dog."

The radio call letters of the city of Madrid have been changed to EAR. That's not surprising considering the noise that has been going on around there.

Over in dear old smoky London a guy was sentenced to 14 days because he smiled when addressed by the magistrate. This column would probably get a life sentence.

Noted British apiarist says that modern girls can't keep bees. Aw, g'wan, snorts Wally, our incurable bach., they've always got a bee in their bonnet.

It appears that the bees are infuriated by the scent of the make-up used by the sweet young things and the dear girls get stung if they approach a hive. Usually it's the mere male who gets stung—when he approaches a modern miss.

"EILEEN OF THE KEYS"

Into the dark of my lonely room
At the close of a dismal day,
Music came to dispel the gloom
From a thousand miles away.

Chords were touched by a master hand;
And my heart was the instrument;
And the room was filled with a chanson grand,
And my soul with a great content.

For a song was born of that magic hour,
Fragrant with memories,
And a faith was renewed in Beauty's power,
Dear Eileen of the Keys.

LAUGH, CLOWN LAUGH!

England has just observed the death of the clown Joseph Grimaldi, described as her greatest jester. This recalls a story erroneously told of him, but which really concerned the clown Carlin:

"Go and see the Clown Grimaldi," advised the doctor to a patient suffering from depression. "He'd make a corpse laugh!" "But," retorted the patient, "I am Grimaldi."

The song of the nightingale has been broadcast by the B.B.C. and a lot of stations I've heard, says Cynical Gus, ought to get the bird too.

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SPORT

The biggest sporting event, at least during the past week, was the Calgary Stampede. Certainly anyone who has watched the performances at stampedes must conclude that the boys who take part are real athletes. Don Thomson of Black Diamond who won the title of North American Champion All Around Cowboy at the Calgary event is a first class amateur boxer as well as being a crack stampede performer.

Johnny Jordan of Carlsbad, New Mexico, won the North American Bucking Horse Riding Championship. This was the event which the late Pete Knight of Crossfield won so often. A. K. Lund of Milk River won the Canadian Championship. Albert Galarenu of Finnegan won the top prize for Calf Roping, Slim Hill, a Saskatchewan rider, the prize for Steer Decorating and Doan of Halkirk the prize for Bareback Riding. All these boys are superb athletes and perform their hair-raising and dangerous feats in spectacular style.

The all-star baseball game between teams selected from the American and National leagues was played last week, the Americans winning 8 to 3. The downfall of the Nationals came in the third inning when Gehrig was at bat and DiMaggio on first and Dizzy Dean pitching. The count was 3 and 2 on Gehrig and Dizzy burned a fast ball over the plate and the Yankee first baseman hit it out of the lot for a home run.

The American League hitters were too much for the National pitchers and even Hubbell was pounded out of the box. Gomez, who started for the Americans, got credit for the victory.

Frank Genovese, middle weight champion of Canada, was soundly beaten by Wallace of Vancouver in a battle in Toronto, but the judges gave Genovese the nod. This has aroused the ire of even the Toronto sporting public and it is claimed that the decision was the rankest ever given in a Canadian ring.

I think I may say I like—aw noise of—of any kind!

Thenx to S.M.

"Gas From Waste"—headline. And why not, indeed? In the political field that's where most of the gas goes to.

The Labor Party is reported to be making great headway in Holland. And that will just naturally put the other parties in Dutch.

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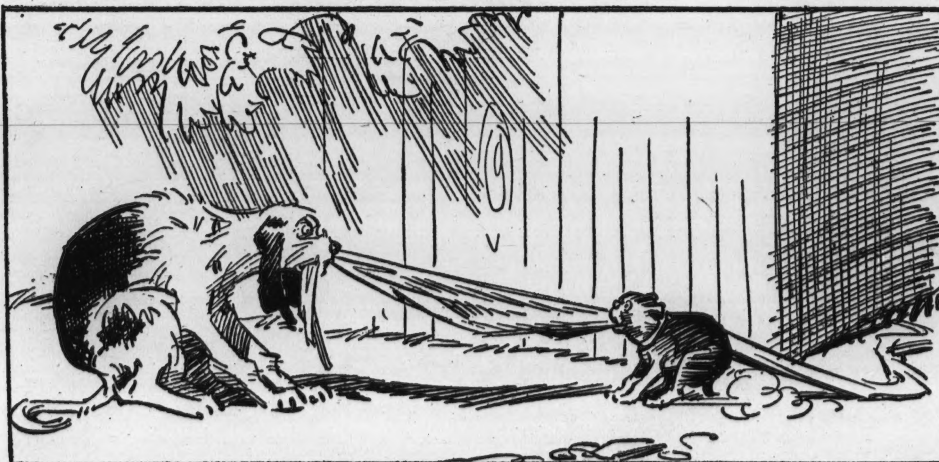
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NAPOLEON AND UNCLE ELBY

By Clifford McBride



PICTURES OF CURRENT NEWS INTEREST

How Commission Would Divide Palestine



Neither Jews nor Arabs are satisfied by the proposed division of Palestine into three separate states, as proposed by the British Royal Commission which has been investigating means of ending clashes between the two races. More than 12,000 British troops are standing by in that country to meet any emergency.

The method of partition recommended would give the 400,000 Jewish colonists a sovereign state occupying about one third of the area of Palestine. The 1,000,000 Arabs in the section allotted to them would have sovereign rights, and possible union with the Arab peoples of Transjordan and Arabia is contemplated. Arabs have protested that this is the richest in resources. Mussolini's radio propaganda in Arab and other languages, is believed to have been an important factor in stirring up racial hatred, but Il Duce has now agreed to modify his broadcast attacks on Britain in the Near East—at what price has not been disclosed.

The Commission advises that the League of Nations be asked to allow Britain to retain its mandate over the small area marked in black, constituting a corridor embracing Jerusalem, Bethlehem and Jaffa. Places sacred to Jews, Arabs and Christians would thus be kept under guard.

Loyalists Launch Major Offensive



Meeting with large initial successes in their major offensive since the start of the war in Spain, Loyalist forces centred in Madrid have driven back Franco's rebel Spaniards, Moors, and Italian and German regular formations, and imperilled the rebel line besieging Madrid at crucial points. Canadians are taking part in the offensive with the Loyalists. Casualties have been heavy on both sides, and the final result of the battle is still undetermined as we go to press. Franco has been compelled for the time being virtually to abandon his offensive on the Basque front.

The map shows the position as the Loyalist advance commenced. Government troops dashed southward ten miles to the west of the capital and captured the important road centre at Brunete. If they retain this position the rebels may be compelled to abandon the siege of Madrid, as his troops in University City and Casa de Campo would be in an impossible position. Villaneuva de Canada has been captured by the Loyalists and Quijorna is believed in their hands. Franco has appealed to Hitler and Mussolini for more troops, planes and tanks.

Taking the Daily Reading



Defending Polar Weather Bureau Against Icy Blasts



Regular weather reports are received several times daily from the first Polar weather bureau, established some weeks ago by the Soviet Union, in charge of three experts who will remain at their station for twelve months.

The picture shows the staff busily engaged in building walls of snow blocks to protect against icy blasts the scientifically constructed hut in which they will live throughout the fall and winter and the spring of 1933.

Their work will have to be repeated later, as the heat of the sun and heavy rains destroyed the snow walls and turned surrounding snow into pools of water. Members of the expedition also had to move equipment into a more central position on the ice floe, worn away at the edges by the thaw. The safety of the observation post is not endangered. Originally established quite near the Pole, the floe has drifted to a point 100 miles away from that northern point of the earth's axis.



Knowledge gained of Polar weather will be of great assistance in the prediction of weather changes in the northern hemisphere. The picture shows a Soviet scientist, one of three on the ice floe near the Pole, reading one of the meteorological instruments. A few minutes after the observations had been recorded they were radioed to the world.